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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6637

BILL NUMBER: SB 568

NOTE PREPARED: Jan 12, 2011

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Drug Testing of Public Assistance Recipients.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Kruse

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: ☐ **GENERAL**
☐ **DEDICATED**
☐ **FEDERAL**

IMPACT: Pending

Summary of Legislation: This bill requires the Division of Family Resources (DFR) to develop a program to test individuals applying for or receiving assistance under the federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program and the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) when a county office believes, based on reasonable suspicion, that the individuals are engaged in the illegal use of controlled substances. The bill provides that an individual who tests positive for a controlled substance without a prescription is ineligible to receive TANF and SNAP assistance. The bill also provides that an individual who is ineligible to receive assistance may reapply for assistance under the TANF program and SNAP on the earlier of: (1) six months after the date the individual tested positive for a controlled substance; or (2) the date the individual complies with and completes a drug abuse treatment program.

The bill provides that an individual who is ineligible for TANF assistance and SNAP assistance as the result of testing positive for the presence of illegal drugs is ineligible for assistance under the Medicaid program. It requires the Office of Medicaid Policy and Planning (OMPP) to apply for an amendment to the state Medicaid plan to limit Medicaid eligibility for individuals who are ineligible under the TANF program and SNAP as the result of testing positive for the presence of illegal drugs.

Effective Date: Upon passage; July 1, 2011.

Explanation of State Expenditures: *As of the above date, the fiscal analysis of this bill has not been completed. Please contact the Office of Fiscal and Management Analysis for an update of this fiscal impact statement.*

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources:

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